

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

James C. May, Treasurer
National Association of Broadcasters
Television & Radio Political
Action Committee
1771 N Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

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May Monthly Report (4/1/98-4/30/98)

Dear Mr. May:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B of your report discloses an in-kind contribution(s) designated for the general election, but made before the primary election (pertinent In-kind contributions of equipment, such as portion(s) attached). computers, with a long-term useful life (e.g., an election cycle, or perhaps longer) are similar to contributions of money and may be designated for elections beyond the next election, provided the contributor designates the contribution as such in writing. A contribution of this type of equipment is distinguishable from in-kind contributions that are used only for one particular election, such as non-exempt contributions of food or beverages consumed by primary election day workers, or printing or mailing costs related to general election events or fundraisers. Please amend your report to include a description of the nature of the in-kind contribution(s) in question. If the in-kind contribution(s) on your report does not have a "long-term useful life", it may constitute an excessive contribution(s) for the primary election (see Advisory Opinion 1996-29).

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you must request a refund of the

excessive amount(s) and/or notify the recipient, in writing, of your redesignation of the contribution. Refunds are reported on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the Detailed Summary Page of the report covering the period in which they are made. Redesignations are reported as memo entries on Schedule B of the report covering the period in which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.2(b) In the best interest of your committee, all refunds and redesignations should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s).

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the recipient committee(s). Although the Commission may take further legal steps, prompt action by your committee to refund or seek redesignation of the excessive amount will be considered.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Scott Francis

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